

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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JHUGGIES IN DELHI

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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the total population of Delhi at present;
- (b) the number of Jhuggi-Jhonpri dwellers among them;
- (c) whether the jhuggies are coming up at the same places again in Delhi where these were already demolished;
- (d) if so, whether the Government has conducted any survey themselves or through the land owning agencies of such places;
- (e) if so, the details thereof;
- (f) the future strategy of the Government to deal with such situation in order to keep the land free from encroachments; and
- (g) the steps being taken to prevent future jhuggi erection in Delhi?

Answer

MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

(a)&(b): Government of NCT of Delhi has reported that as per population projection, the total projected population of Delhi as on 1.3.2005 would be around 1.56 crores, Slum & JJ Department (MCD) has estimated the number of jhuggi dwellers around 30 lakh.

(c): Slum & JJ Department (MCD) has reported that no such incident has come to notice. DDA has reported that stray incidents of re-encroachment are promptly removed as soon as detected.

(d)&(e): No specific survey has been conducted in this regard.

(f)&(g): The Government has been, from time to time, impressing upon land owning agencies to take strict measures to keep their lands free from encroachments. DDA has reported that in order to protect DDA land it has started videography of its vacant lands, and a system of regular and periodic physical inspection has been instituted.